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## UP TO THE HOUSE

Roosevelt's determination to carry forward the "third party" movement makes it very possible indeed that the selection of the next president may devolve upon the national house of representatives.

Suppose that Taft, Woodrow Wilson and the nominee of the third party convention all got electoral votes, and no one of the three a majority, the constitutional provision throwing the election into the House would become operative. Now the constitution provides that in such a case each state shall be entitled to one vote, and here is the beginning of interesting possibilities, for the states are equally divided between the Republican and Democratic parties in the House, each having twenty-two votes.

The Boston Herald, commenting on the situation, says:

"There are twenty-two states in the House having a Democratic majority, among their representatives, and twenty-two with a Republican majority, and four states in which the representation of the two parties is equal. And to the present House the task would fall, not to the one to be elected in November. Here is the list:

"Democratic—Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia—22.

"Republican—California, Connecticut, Delaware, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Washington, Wisconsin, Wyoming—22.

"Tied—Maine, Nebraska, New Mexico, Rhode Island—4.

"The twelfth amendment to the constitution, which now governs this subject, provides that if no candidate receives a majority in the electoral college, the House of Representatives shall choose immediately by ballot the President; but in choosing the President the vote shall be taken by states, the representation from each state having one vote."

"It is premature to discuss the chances of Wilson, Roosevelt and Taft as candidates in the event of a triangular contest. Much would depend on the terms in which the two men who are Republicans had received their respective nominations. While Roosevelt is individually stronger than Taft in the great body of Republican states, as the primary balloting has shown, he would not be stronger as the candidate of a bolting faction. Experience proves the American people strikingly 'regular' on election day. Bolting movements almost invariably flatten out. Contests which begin as triangular rarely remain so.

"The warring Republicans at Chicago would better make peace, since it is the candidate with the regular Republican label who is sure to be the real competitor in November of an aggressive and confident Democracy.

## THE YACHT RACE AS ADVERTISING,

Hawaii's tourist attractions have been sharply accentuated by the great interest in the volcano, and the wealth of natural assets is easily recognized.

In the trans-Pacific yacht race the islands have a promotion asset that needs developing. The skipper of one of the yachts, from its deck in Honolulu harbor, saw before him such a splendid panorama of shore and sea and

mountain that he declared the scene the most beautiful in an experience that extended from the famous beauty spots of the Atlantic Coast to Naples and other noted resorts. He did not win the race, but he was compensated by a trip to a wonderful seaport.

The yacht race has been emphasized on the competitive side. Now, when the yachts are returning to the mainland, Hawaii may well carry on a promotion campaign based on the next trans-Pacific race.

## LORIMER, BRIBER.

William Lorimer, briber, was not ousted from the United States senate last Saturday as the result of senate investigation.

The vote in the senate declaring Lorimer not entitled to a seat was a vote upon report of the investigating committee, it is true. But back of the committee's report there were the sordid facts of bribery and corruption uncovered through the initiative and the efforts of the Chicago Tribune. If ever there was a victory for clean and aggressive journalism rightly directed, that victory was in the senate last Saturday.

More than two years ago, the notorious Illinois legislative "jackpot"—a slush fund for the corruption of the legislature—was stripped of its coverings by the Tribune.

So complete was the Tribune's case, so overwhelming the proof of corruption it thundered forth day by day, that the senate investigations since have added but little. On the other hand, not an essential charge made by this newspaper has been disproved.

To the credit of journalism be it said that most of the other Chicago papers have joined in the fight and helped make it their own. Month after month, while the men tied to Lorimer by politics or business interests refused to go to the bottom of the evidence offered, the press of Chicago and other cities has called for the truth. And the truth could not be controverted.

Lorimer's speech in his own defense last week teemed with attacks on the press. He said the editors of the Chicago papers should be jailed.

How about the man whose paid agents held gold before the eyes of poor country legislators until they weakened and sold their vote? Is jail too good for him?

Sometimes results are long in coming. The newspapers who fought against Lorimer often saw the fight going against them, and heard the slurs of people who said, "Oh, that's just newspaper talk."

But it was "newspaper talk" by papers that knew what they were talking about that has swept the senate clean of a nauseous member.

A society leader of Stamford, Conn., says that one sign of the rapidly developing financial genius in women is that they are going through their husbands' pockets for loose change. It may be remarked that one sign of rapidly developing financial genius in men is that they are not keeping their loose change in their pockets any more.

The New York Sun complains that Baltimore did not rise to the occasion of its great convention. Probably what displeases the Sun is that Baltimore rose to the occasion far enough to nominate Governor Wilson.

Roosevelt says he really started the Lorimer ousting by refusing to sit at the same table with the Illinois boss. Apparently the colonel's antipathy to bosses doesn't extend to those from Pennsylvania.

The Kansas state board of health is now carrying on experiments to determine what the Kansan should be allowed to eat. Nebraska should have taken this question up sixteen years ago.

Crane of Chicago is not a Wilson man. He is simply out after revenge on Taft for that humiliating recall after Crane had started for China as minister some years ago.

Oscar Hammerstein, the famous impresario, has insured a talking dog for \$50,000, upsetting the dictum that speech is silver but silence is golden.

The bull moose party will at least give a new lease of life to the cartoonists who have gone stale on the donkey and the elephant.

The American athletes are carrying off almost everything except the stadium, and Sweden has spiked that down.

Must Honolulu have another fatal auto accident before the speeders are stopped?

Honolulu has no objection to the steam-roller, but we want it on the streets.

Good morning. Have you helped along the Duke Kahanamoku fund yet?

## LITTLE INTERVIEWS

R. D. MEAD—Forty-five Russians more on the Shinyo? I don't see where the plantations can take them. A. FRANK COOKE—The old moss-stone fences on Lihue plantation make a feature very pleasing to a Kaimuki man.

J. CLAYTON NICHOLS of the Philippines—Manila was mighty hot when I left, and I won't mind the New York heat. BERT RIVENBURGH—The fight for the Democratic nomination for sheriff is going to be the hottest in the Oahu convention this fall.

CAPT. FREEMAN (boss stevedore)—If you are in doubt as to when vessels are due, ask me. I am the pre-arranging shipping schedule.

E. H. PARIS—There will be a meeting shortly of the general committee to consider the report of the subcommittee on the commercial building question.

GEORGE A. DAVIS—Spreckels has gone over to Wilson. That is where the Progressives bolting the party of progress are going—into the camp of the enemy.

GEORGE P. COOKE, manager American Sugar Co.—We had a little rain on Molokai last week, but it's a pretty hard year for the ranch with so much drought.

W. LANZ—A good many things may happen in the Presidential race before November, and those who are prophesying the defeat of Taft should not be too positive. It seems to me that Roosevelt is down and out.

A. FRANK COOKE—It was still dark yesterday morning when the Kinau came in from Kaula, but Captain Gregory docked her so neatly that the passengers did not know she was alongside the wharf until told.

## PERSONALITIES

MISS IRMA WODEHOUSE is reported to be ill with pneumonia. She is at present in the Malulu hospital. DR. WILLIAM OSMERS leaves for the Wilhelmnia Wednesday for the Coast. He expects to be absent a month.

MISS DOROTHY JORDAN, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Jordan, is spending her vacation in Hilo as the guest of Mrs. W. Weight.

MRS. S. NAGAL, wife of the Japanese consul general at San Francisco, is a passenger in the Shinyo Maru to join her husband on the Coast.

MISS E. DANBY and Miss M. Dean, members of the Great Raymond Company, were arrivals in the Japanese liner Shinyo Maru this morning.

W. S. WISE of the Hilo District Court will make an extended tour through the State of Washington, leaving Wednesday on the Wilhelmnia.

LIEUT. COMDR. Z. E. BRIGGS of the United States Navy is a through passenger in the Japanese liner Shinyo Maru. He is en route to Los Angeles, Cal., on vacation.

R. W. HILLS, a prominent coffee and tea importer, with headquarters at San Francisco, is returning from an Oriental tour as a passenger in the Japanese liner Shinyo Maru.

H. E. MANWARRING, manager of the Grand Hotel at Yokohama, Japan, is a through passenger in the Shinyo Maru, en route to the United States on a business tour. He is accompanied by Mrs. Manwarring.

H. R. PARKER and wife of Shanghai, China, are traveling in the Shinyo Maru, en route to the United States on vacation. Mr. Parker is associated with a Shanghai life insurance company.

GEO. T. WEAVER, who has been here some months representing the Conservative Rubber Production Co., will leave in the Wilhelmnia to represent the Ralston Copper Mine in Santa Barbara and Ventura counties, Cal.

REV. M. G. SANTOS of the Pala Portuguese church is substituting for Rev. A. V. Soares at the Portuguese Evangelical church, Miller and Punchbowl streets. Mr. Soares is now on the Coast on a three months' vacation.

R. R. YOUNG, formerly business manager and advance man for Aviator Atwater, is proceeding to the United States as a through passenger in the Shinyo Maru. Atwater will remain in Japan and China for an extended season.

SUN FO, Misses Sun On and Sun Yuen, son and daughters of the famous Dr. Sun Yat Sen, Chinese patriot, are visitors at Honolulu today, en route to the Pacific Coast. The appearance of the party of young people at the arrival of the Shinyo Maru was the occasion for a warm reception at the hands of local Chinese.

J. W. PRATT, real estate agent, is going to San Francisco in the Wilhelmnia, making the round trip, on an important business matter. In his absence of twenty days W. G. Ashley will represent him in affairs requiring immediate attention. A portion of Mr. Pratt's office will be occupied by Mr. Moore, representing the Mascot Mining Company.

## KILLS AN ELOPING GIRL

Dixie Woman Slays Child She Says Was Running Away with Husband

LOUISVILLE, Ky., June 27.—Fifteen-year-old Osia Plumlee, pursued from the home in which she had been a guest by Mrs. Fred Parker, who was at once the girl's hostess and cousin, and wife of the man with whom it is said the girl was eloping, was overtaken, shot and killed near Hestand, Ky., Sunday, according to mail reports received here from that remote section of the state.

It is said both Parker and his wife are under arrest at Celina, Tenn. Dry Ridge, Tenn., home of the girl, and the other two places named, are near the line between the two states.

## COFFEE CROP FOR YEAR TOTALS 2,093,000 LBS.

Decrease in Quantity Is Partly Made Up by Higher Prices Received

Hawaii's coffee crop year closed on June 15, and the quantity of the old crop shipped since that date has been inconsequential. Probably the new crop will begin coming in by the next steamer from Kona.

For the year ended June 15, 1912, the exports of coffee amounted to 20,131 hundred-pound bags, or about two million and ninety-three thousand pounds, the invoice value of which was \$337,728.

The previous season's crop, which was a little later, some having been shipped in July, was 37,128 bags at an invoice value of \$476,497. Thus the coffee year just passed shows a deficiency of over 16,000 bags in quantity and about \$139,000 in invoice value. The decrease in value is greater than it would have been had the price been the same last year as it was the year before.

Average Invoice Value. For the season ended June, 1911, the average invoice value was 12.83 cents a pound, while for the season last past it was a fraction above 16 cents, or an advance of nearly 25 per cent.

"This year we are going to have a bumper crop," said J. W. McChesney, on giving out the foregoing statistics Saturday, "and it is going to be early. I think it will be larger than that of season before last, and probably the largest we have ever had."

Asked what was the reason for the falling off last year, Mr. McChesney said:

"It has always run heavy and light, but why it should be so light have heard several reasons given and am not able to say just what the cause was. High winds that blew the blossoms off may partly account for it. This year the price will probably rule about the same as last year, although just now they are a trifle lower than at the beginning of last season."

"Planting is increasing right along, from what I can hear. I have no doubt we will have high prices for years to come. People are safe in planting coffee for high prices. The consumption has been gradually overtaking the production for some years. There is no question they are restricting production in Brazil. They had to do it to finance that valorization scheme."

Little Land Available. "No, there is not much land yet available for coffee growing in Hawaii—at least not in large tracts. There is some suitable land, of course, but no very large areas in single tracts. Kona is the best coffee region on account simply of the absence of the trade wind there."

"It is hard to say whether the land on the higher levels would be favorable to coffee, but it is certain that when you go to the lower levels there is but little ground not covered with lava."

"Possibly the export may increase to a million dollars with the maintenance of good prices."

There are no definite figures extant regarding the home consumption. A couple of years ago it was estimated at 10,000 bags, and from that basis, would probably be 15,000 bags now.

The recent Army contract to H. Hackfeld & Co., of 30,000 pounds, of which part goes to the Philippines, will be that much off the exports by custom house this year, although up till lately Hackfeld's supplied a good deal of coffee to the Army on monthly bids.

## CHILDREN OF DR. SUN

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trio left the big Shinyo and met with the reception committee of local Chinese who anxiously awaited the homecoming of the young people.

Sun Fo and his sisters are said will continue the journey to San Francisco in the Shinyo, leaving for the coast port on the next boat. Sun Fo will enter the University of California and his sisters will also attend school in California.

At the time that Sun Fo, left south China, the general situation there was reported as quiet, with an occasional disturbance in widely separated districts. The claim is made that in a country so vast as China it is extremely difficult to establish a full and complete understanding between the peoples of varying dialects and sentiments especially in a short space of time. It is the general belief that the Chinese will reap good fruit from the recent revolution, if only some years be given to them for their undertaking.

Problem of Government. It is still a matter under investigation whether the new Government of China should be formed after the American type or the French or whether it should be a new system combining these two. The question is very important and the Chinese desire to get that system which is best suited to them.

On board the Shinyo Maru this morning the prediction was freely made by well-posted Chinese businessmen en route to San Francisco that Dr. Sun Yat Sen would not be elected president of the new republic. The declaration was made that his popularity is decreasing day by day. Sun Yat Sen is a revolutionary and has no constructive ability, which is essential for the President of a Republic. It is true that China has been converted into a republic, but even the new China cannot comply with such socialistic principles as those advocated by Sun Yat Sen. I believe in Republicanism, but not in Socialism.

General Li Popular.

## O. A. STEVEN IS TAKING A TRIP

O. A. Steven, recruiting agent in the Philippines for the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association, arrived from the Orient this morning on the Shinyo Maru and thereby gave his associates here a little surprise party.

At least it was a surprise party yesterday when Director Mead of the planters' labor bureau got a wireless from Steven stating that he was coming on the Shinyo. Mead thought Steven was recuperating somewhere up in Japan, but it seems that Steven is taking an ocean voyage instead. It was stated today that he will go on to the coast in a few days and then return here, and that he is taking the trip for his health.

Mr. Steven expressed himself as glad to see Hawaii again. He has spent comparatively little time in the Philippines lately.

General Li is very popular because of his scholarship and far-sighted views, so it is declared. His party is now gaining more and more influence, and is strongly supported by the soldiers. The latter are being gradually disbanded, and the work is not proving so difficult. Hardest of all is the task of dismissing the officers.

The Chinese are opposing the foreign loan because they believe that they can secure better terms than those offered by the Powers at present. The movement for patriotic contributions has shown some promise of success. Huang-Hsing has already collected and sent to Peking 5,800,000 yuan by way of patriotic contributions.



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